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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF THE

Mr. Johnny W. Reising United States Department of Energy Feed Materials Production Center P.O. Box 398705 Cincinnati, Ohio 45239-8705

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RE: RTC on Material Disposition

Alternatives

Dear Mr. Reising:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) has completed its review of the United States Department of Energy's (U.S. DOE) Response to Comments (RTC) on the draft final decision methodology for Fernald material disposition alternatives.

This document presents a technically adequate methodology for evaluating criteria that will be used to determine the disposition of radioactively contaminated material such as scrap steel resulting from decontamination and dismantlement projects.

Therefore, U.S. EPA approves the decision methodology document. Please contact me at (312) 886-0992 if you have any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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